

Application No. 10/624,401
Filed: July 22, 2003
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

REMARKS

The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 21, 2005. This communication is believed to be a full and complete response to that Office Action. Claims 1-16 were pending in the present application prior to entry of the present amendments. By the aforementioned Office Action, Claims 1-16 have been rejected.

By the present amendment, Claims 1-4 and 15-16 have been canceled without prejudice. New Claim 17 has been submitted for entry.

Support for these amendments can be found in the original specification, and thus, no new matter has been added. Applicant reserves the right to pursue all original claims in this or other patent applications. Reconsideration and reexamination of the present amendment application is respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and in view of the following remarks, which establish that the pending claims are directed to allowable subject matter.

I. SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-4 and 15-16 have been canceled.

II. CLAIM REJECTIONS

Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,681,111 to Ahn et al ("**Ahn**"). The Examiner states that **Ahn** discloses all of the limitations of the method of Claims 1-4, which have been canceled thereby rendering these rejections moot. The Examiner also asserts that **Ahn** discloses the invention of

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Claims 5-14. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of Claims 5-14 and requests reconsideration and withdrawal thereof.

"A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." See MPEP § 2131; *Verdegaal Bros. V. Union Oil Co. of Calif.*, 814 F.2d 628, 631 (Fed. Cir. 1987).

With respect to independent **Claim 5**, the Office Action alleges, *inter alia*, that **Ahn** discloses forwarding the registration request to a Signaling Transfer Point (IRGS 300). However, the IRGS 300 of **Ahn** is neither expressly or inherently equivalent to a Signaling Transfer Point. Rather, the cited text of **Ahn** discloses:

The IRGS 300 is accessed between the CDMA network 110 and the GSM network 210, and performs a signal conversion in order for signals to be exchanged between the networks 110 and 210.

The IRGS 300 functions as the HLR to manage the profiles of the GSM SIM subscribers from the viewpoint of the CDMA system 100, and functions as the VLR in order for the GSM system 200 to read the location of the roaming GSM SIM subscriber via the IRGS 300 from the viewpoint of the GSM system 200.

Col. 4, ll. 30-39 (underlining added).

Claims 6-10 depend from independent Claim 5. At least because **Ahn** fails to teach each of the limitations of Claim 5 and thus, of its dependent Claims 6-10, these claims are patentable over **Ahn** and the rejections thereto should be withdrawn.

Ahn fails to disclose the invention of Claim 11 for the same reason, i.e., the IRGS 300 is not an STP. Thus, Claim 11 and its dependent Claims 12-14 are patentable over **Ahn** and the rejections thereto should be withdrawn.

The Examiner has rejected Claim 15 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Rochefort (WO00/56112). These claims have also been canceled, thereby rendering the rejections thereto moot.

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III. CONCLUSION

This is a full and timely response to the Final Office Action mailed August 22, 2005. In view of the amendments and remarks detailed above, the allowance of the claims pending in this case is respectfully requested.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

A Petition for Extension of Time and Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of \$120 for a one month extension of time was submitted together with the prior reply. It is the undersigned's belief that the total fees due is \$450 for a two month extension of time. Accordingly, attached hereto is a Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of \$330 (which is the difference between the fee previously submitted and the fee believed to be due). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Order Account No. 50-3447.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would be useful, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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